GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3796
ANSWERED ON:17.04.2002
HEART FACILITIES
CHANDRA BHUSHAN SINGH

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the World Health Organisation prediction that by 2010 India would have 100 million heart patients, accounting 60 percent of the world`s heart patients;

(b) whether it is a fact that as per the research made deaths due to heart ailments in urban areas are higher than in the rural areas;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to provide heart diseases treatment facilities in all the hospitals in urban and rural areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(c): A report published by World Health Organization titled `The Global Burden on Disease` has predicted that by 2010 the number of disability adjusted life years (DALY) due to cardiovascular diseases would amount to 34.9 million in India.The corresponding figures for the world would be 175.8 million. In percentage terms, this works out to 20%. The data on mortality published in the report on Medical certification on causes of death (1977) by the Registrar General of India indicate that the urban areas show a higher mortality due to Diseases of Circulatory System (20% for females and 23% for males) as compared to the mortality rates due to cardiovascular diseases in rural areas (12.1%).

(d): Cardio Vascular diseases are managed at various levels in the Urban Health Care Institutions and Rural Health Care Delivery System in the country both in the public and private sectors. Apart from several district level hospitals, which provide secondary level health care facilities, premier government hospitals and autonomous institutions like All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi and Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER) Chandigarh provide specialized tertiary care facilities in the field.